The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, October 25, 1726.

From the Evening Post, Oct. 15.

Fountainblean, Oct. 10. The 3d Inst. the Deputies of the General Assembly of the Clergy waited on their Majesties: The Cardinal de Fleury, their First President, met them in the Common-hall, and walked at the Head of them, taking the Right of the Archbishops of Aix and Narbone; of whom the first made the following Speech.

SIR,

THE Clergy of Your Kingdom being again assembled, hastens to lay at the Feet of Your Majesty the Assurances of their Fidelity and Submission.

Every Thing requires it of us: Both our Religion and Birth, also the Love Your Majesty lately express'd for Your People, by taking the glorious Resolution of governing them Your self, raises in us the Desire of fulfilling that Duty.

Sir, Your Subjects will find in You the Heart of a Father, who will commiserate their Wants; and the Church, maintain'd in her Privileges, which both the Piety of Your Illustrious Predecessors, and the Custom of all Ages have rendred sacred, will applaud herself, on account of seeing in her Sovereign, Sentiments becoming her eldest Son.

The Piety we admire in You, that profound Respect for our sacred Mysteries, which are the Fruits of the happy Education Your Majesty had, do proclaim to the now disquieted Church, a future Calm and Tranquillity; the Exemple Your Majesty proposes to follow, by imitating that Great King, who still is the Object of our Regrets, as he will for ever be the Glory of the Throne, secure to that Church a speedy & steady Protection, to assist her in bringing back to Submission those who swerve from it, and have disquieted her for many Years, and still do.

This is, *Sir*, the Assistance the Church expects from Your Zeal: This is what will most conduce to the Welfare and Tranquillity of Your Dominions: Thereby the God of Mercy will render the Reign of Your Majesty always glorious, by making His Spirit of Wisdom and Council continually attend Your Designs, and after having established it by a numerous Posterity, Your Majesty will sue, that for the Comfort and Tranquillity of France, it will be continued to the latest Duration of Time.

From the Evening Post, Oct. 18.

Petersburg, Sept. 23. The Count de Rabutin, Minister of the Emperor, repaired this Day to the Privy Council, from whence afterwards an Express was dispatched with the Ratification of the Accession of our Empress to the Treaty of Vienna. Upwards of 40,000 Men are to winter in Livonia and Estoni.

Hamburg, Sept. 16. Two Days ago the Waters were so high both here and at Altena, that several Streets were overflowed, and a world of Damage done in Cellars and Warehouses.

Madrid, Oct. 7. This Day arrived here the Coach of State of the Marquis d'Abrantes Ambassador of Portugal, drawn by 19 Mules, being both the largest and finest ever seen here.

Paris, Oct. 14. Mr. Weddercap, Envoy Extraordinary of Denmark, has obtained Leave from the King his Master to return to Copenhagen for three Months on his private Affairs. Mr. Walpole, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of G. Britain, will also shortly make a Tour to London.

Brussels, Oct. 21. Last Saturday this whole City was under great Consternation on account of an extraordinary Light which continued from 7 in the Evening till 11, and was so bright that it almost resembled Day-light: Tho' this is only what is known by the Name of the *North Light*, People are the more alarmed, because it was never before seen in this Country.

Hamburg, Oct. 18. Letters from Denmark are full of the Mischief done by the late Storm. Besides several Ships cast away by it, the whole Island of Lantholm near Amach has been drowned, with a great Number of Cattle. Several large Floats of Timber near Reigerstieg and Altena were carried away by the Current, as was also a considerable Quantity of Timber, and Staves for Barrels which were at Heyligland.

From the Amsterdam Gazzette, Oct. 17.

Brussels, Oct. 17. On the 14th the Valet de Chambre

bre of Baron Fonseca Minister of the Emperor at the Court of France, arrived here from Paris in 24 Hours with Letters for our Government, and next Day set out for Vienna. We learn by this Express, that the new Alterations in the Ministry of Spain, will prove favourable to the Treaty of Vienna.

From the London Gazette, Octob. 18.

Madrid, Oct. 7. N. S. On the 30th past Father Clark a Scots Jesuit, received a Letter from the Marquis de la Paz, acquainting him that his Catholick Majesty having made Choice of him for his Confessor, desired him to repair immediately to St. Ildefonso, and accordingly the said Father set out the same Night in one of the King of Spain's Coaches, and arrived there the 2d Inst. in the Morning. His Catholick Majesty confessed to him the same Day at Noon, and seemed to be very well pleased with him. He is near sixty Years of Age, he has been Rector of several Jesuite Colleges in Italy, particularly at Rome, from whence he came three Years ago, and was made Rector of the Scots College here, and was the Chief Instrument in reconciling the Duke of Wharton to the Church of Rome. He was Confessor to the Count and Countess of Coningseck, since their Arrival in Spain, which (with his other Qualifications) was sufficient Recommendation for him, tho' not personally known to their Catholick Majesty's.

From the St. James's Evening Post, Octob. 18.

Amsterdam, Oct. 22. By Letters from Berlin, we have Advice of a Treaty made between the Emperor and King of Prussia, to the following Purport.

The Treaty is merely Defensive.

The King of Prussia is to Guarrantee and mantain the Order of Succession to the Hereditary Dominions of the House of Austria, in the Manner the present Emperor has established it.

The Emperor and the King of Prussia engage to use their joint Endeavours to obtain from all those who have Pretension to the Dutchies of Juliers and Bergues, a Cessation of their Rights in favour of his Prussian Majesty. And while that is doing, the Emperor engages to induce the Prince of Sultzbach, within six Months after the signing of the Treaty, to renounce absolutely all Claim to the Dutchies of Berg and Ravenstein; so that upon the Decease of the present Elector Palatine, the King of Prussia may take immediate Possession of them; and if within the said six Months, the Emperor does not prevail with the Prince of Sultzbach to make such Renunciation, his Imperial Majesty promises to make his Prussian Majesty amends, by giving him some other Country in the Empire as an Equivalent.

It is agreed, That this Treaty shall not be ratified till six Months after signing, nor till the Emperor has performed his Engagement, in Relation to the Prince Sultzbach's Cession, or given the King of Prussia an Equivalent of some other Country, in case he should not succeed with that Prince. And in Case of Failure in both these Points, within the Time limited, this Treaty to be null and void.

Copenhagen, Oct. 12. The Scots Capt. Nord. Grantz, has been arrested at Elsingburgh, at the Request of General Count de Shoneck; it is astonishing how he contrived his Passage over to Schonen: As soon as he got over the two Moats of the Castle, and saw himself free, he lept into the Sea, and swam till he came to a Ship, beyond the three Crowns, from which he cut the Boat undiscovered, and passed to Schonen. He is accused of several high Crimes and treasonable Practices against his Britannick Majesty. It is now the Question whether the Swedes will deliver him up to us or the English. He is the same Man who in the last War endeavoured to seize and carry away our Prince Royal near Guldenland, which he has since confessed.

Brunswick, Oct. 14. We have Advice that on the 9th Inst. Prince William of Hesse Hamburgh, departed this Life, after a Fourtnight's Illness.

Leiden, Oct. 22. Some Advices from the North confirm, that the Ottoman Troops had met with several Disadvantages in Persia; and that their Number was decreased to almost one Half of what they were; That a contagious Distemper had begun to rage among them; That the Troops of Sultan Esref were considerably augmented by the Armenians, who had joined him from all Parts; That he had posted about 40,000 Men in the Avenues of Ispahan; and that he had got together a vast Quantity of Ammunition and Provisions in that Capital; and that the Progress he made upon the Ottomans, would oblige the Russians to be upon their Guard in their new Conquests.

Vienna, Oct. 9. On the 2d of this Month the Express that came hither from Spain was dispatched back to Madrid, with the Emperor's Resolution touching the Proposals made to the Court of Spain by the K. of G. Britain, and that had been communicated to the Emperor by the K. of Spain. The Ambassador of Portugal has also imparted to the

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Emperor the Propoſals made to his Court by Admiral Jennings. And as to the Affair of the Duke of Holſtein, the ſame will run chiefly upon the Reſolution which ſhall be taken by the Courts of G. Britain and Ruſſia upon the Plan propoſed to them by a Mediatorial Power. On the other Hand, we are aſſured that the Miniſters of G. Britain have received Orders to demand a more ample Explanation of the Treaties concluded with Spain, *&c.* purſuant to the Quadruple Alliance.

Benefit TICKETS drawn in the preſent State LOTTERY, on *Saturday* the 15th and *Monday* the 17th, being the 24th and 25th Days.

Num.	*Value.*	*Num.*	*Value.*	*Num.*	*Value*
42585	500	56022	100	64590	100
49268	100	48399	100	65395	500
17582	100	46763	100	24042	100
83307	100	80037	100	55620	100
31150	100	48141	100	87959	100
50065	100	13768	20000		

And 321 of 20 l. each.

Total drawn from the Beginning, 3762

From the Flying Poſt, Octob. 18.

Grodno, Oct. 5. Since the firſt Day of the Meeting of the Diet to this Time, there has been nothing but Quarrelling; ſo that yet they have not been to wait upon the King. Nor have they agreed in any one Concluſion ſave theſe, viz. *That the Decree againſt the City of* Thorn *be executed to a Title*; *That the Lutherans be obliged to reſtore the Eſtate belonging to the Church taken from them*; and, *That the Magiſtrates ſhall admit the Catholick Counſellors.*

London, Oct. 18. Yeſterday came up the 20,000 l. Prize in the State Lottery, No. 13,368, which we hear is the Property of Mr. Spelman, a Gentleman of the Law in Norfolk-ſtreet.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, October 20.

Since our laſt arrived a French, a Holland, and two Flanders Mails.

ADvices from Holland give Account, That Sir Charles Wager ſailed from Revel, *&c.* [*as more fully from the Evening Poſt*--- His Expedition, which was framed with the greateſt Prudence, has been attended with the deſir'd Succeſs of preſerving the Peace and Tranquillity of the North, by preventing the Muſcovites from putting their Deſigns in Execution.

Mean-time 'tis very ſurprizing to ſee the juſt and wiſe Meaſures taken by his Britannick Majeſty for obſtructing the Deſigns of thoſe Potentates who have entred into Alliances and Confederacies which tend to overturn the Balance of Power in Europe, and to deſtroy the principal Branches of the Trade of this Nation, ſhould have Effects as to cauſe Reſentments, inſtead of procuring, as might be juſtly expected, a Compliance with the Terms propoſed for an Accommodation.

We may gueſs at the Diſpoſition of the Court of Madrid, by the News of the Duke of Ormond being to be ſent as the Miniſter of Spain to the Court of Ruſſia; and of the Pretender's ſetting out from Rome for Bologna, and that from thence he is to ſet out for Spain.

Letters from Paris, of the 23d Inſt. import, that the Gentlemen of the Obſervatory had waited on the King, to give an Account of a Phœnomenon that appeared the 19th at ſeven in the Evening, and laſted till near one in the Morning; and tho' there was no Moon, a great Part of the Horizon Northward was illuminated with large Streaks of Light which were ſeen to dart at each other; That at Fountainbeau, it appeared at firſt like the Sun, and afterwards like a ſpread Eagle of a prodigious bigneſs; to others it ſeemed like a Dome, which ſurpriſed every Body. The Vulgar expect ſome extraordinary Event from it. 'Tis remarked that King Staniſlaus daily viſits his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty at Fountainbleau.

Laſt Monday in the Evening, the Corpſe of the late Lord Chief Baron Gilbert, was interred in the Church at Bath, the Pall was ſupported by the Ld. William Paulet, Lord Cornwallis, Sir Hugh Aſhurſt, Sir John Auſtin, John Cockburn, and Daniel Pultney Eſqrs. 'Tis the general Opinion he will be ſucceeded by Sir Thomas Pingelly. Sir Lawrence Carter Sergeant at Law, and Member of Parliament for Leiceſter, is made one of the Barons of Exchequer in Room of Baron Price, who is made one of the Juſtices of the Court of Common Pleas, in room of Juſtice Dormer deceaſed.

Lottery Tickets are 17 ſh. Diſcount. As to South Sea the ſame is fallen a little ſince our laſt, viz. 99 1 half.

But the Want of the Galleons and the Flotilla gives ſuch Diſtreſs to the Spaniſh Nation, and occaſions ſo frequent Bankruptcies, that an Accommodation is more likely than a War.

This Day the Biſhop of London conſecrated St. Martin's Church with the uſual Ceremony, and a Ser-

Sermon was preached suitable to the Occasion. As also this Day, being the Anniversary of his Majesty's Coronation, was observed with the usual Demonstrations of Joy in this City.

Agreeably to what we mentioned lately, the Reverend Dr. Godolphin has resigned the Deanry of St. Paul's to Dr. Hare.

From the Evening Post, October 20.

Bologna, Oct. 9. The Nephew of Cardinal Belloni is arrived here from Rome, to receive the Chevalier de St. George in his Palace, where he is hourly expected, having already passed thro' Pesaro.

Toward the close of last Week the Chevalier de St. George sent his Consort what belonged to her, and particularly a Bill of 6000 Crowns, and wrote her Word at the same Time, that he and his Children and Retinue, were upon the Point of setting out for Bologna; that he forgave her all that was past, and would never speak of it more; and that if she pleased to return to the Palace, she should find it open. Afterwards he went himself to the Cloister on Saturday Night, talked with her some Time alone, and completed their Reconciliation, to the great Joy of the Pope, the Sacred College, and of this City in general. On Sunday Morning, the Cardinal Polignac had a private Conference with Cardinal Gualtieri, and the Chevalier, at Cardinal Altieri's Palace. On Thursday the Chevalier's two Sons, the Lord Hay and his Lady, and several English Gentlemen went before for Bologno, and were followed by the Chevalier, who set out with three Post Chaises on Wednesday Morning.

Vienna, Oct. 12. 'Tis talked that the Minister of Prussia daily expects Instructions from his Court, to go and execute a certain Commission at the Court of Dresden.

London, Oct. 20. On Tuesday last an Express arrived at Whitehall from Copenhagen, with Letters from Sir Charles Wager.

From on board his Majesty's Ship the Torbay *under the Island* Hanno *on the Coast of* Sweden, October 4, O. S.

"Sir Charles Wager, with the Squadron of His "Majesty's Ships under his Command, sailed from "the Bay of Revel the 20th past, the Wind being "then fair; but the Wind shifted the following "Night, and we have had Variety of bad Wind and "Weather ever since: However, we have made a "Shift to bear down this far, with very little Damage to any of our Ships. We put in here last "Night, the Wind blowing hard Westerly; and "we shall soon proceed for Copenhagen, and thence "for England. We kept Company with the Danes "till we came off Gotland, where we believe they "came to an Anchor; but we chose rather to hold "on our Way."

S. S. Stock 99 1 half. Annuities 93 1 half. India 135 1 half. Bank 121 1 half. York Build. 10.

N. B. The *Mercury* will not be published again till Friday-morning early, because of the Fast happening on Thursday.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

††† The Creditors of Mark Carse of Cockpen, are desired to meet at John's Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, on Wednesday the second of November next, at half an Hour after two o'clock in the Afternoon.

¶*¶ Mr. Maclaurin, Professor of Mathematicks, in the University of Edinburgh, begins his Lessons in the College, on Tuesday the first of November, and his Lessons in his Lodging in Town, on Monday the 7th of November.

†¶† The Trustees of the Creditors of the Right Honourable the Earl of NORTHESK, hereby appoint a General Meeting of the Creditors to be held on the Fifteenth of November next, at 3 a clock after Noon, in John's Coffee-house: Where the Trustees are to lay before the Creditors what Steps they have made in the Management of the Affairs committed to them, and will explain what Causes it is owing to that greater Progress has not been made therein; to the end the Creditors may apply the proper Remedy, and come to such Resolutions as may enable the Trustees to proceed in the further Management of their Affairs with greater Benefit to the Creditors, and with less Trouble and Loss of Time to the Trustees.

Fishery-Office, Oct. 18, 1726.

The MANAGERS of the Copartnery are to Expose to publick Sale at their Office on *Tuesday* the FIRST DAY of November next, at 3 after Noon, at the following low Rates for the Encouragement of Bidders, viz.— One Lot, containing 7 C. 1 Qr. 23 lb. Coils and Pieces of new Ropes, at 25 sh. per Hundred——— One ditto, containing 4 new Herring-Nets at 12. 15 sterl. each Net———. Eight ditto containing 110 undress'd Nets, at 8 sh. sterl. each Net——. Utensils for a Twine work per Inventary, to be set up at L. 8. 00. 0. sterl.——— Ditto, for the Cod-fishing as per Inventary, to be set up at L. 10. 0. 0. sterl.——— Ditto for a Barking-house per ditto, to be set up at L. 10. 0. 0.

The above Goods will be shewn at Leith by *David Dees* the Copartnery's Agent; and the Inventary and Articles of Roup, at the Copartnery's Office in the Lawn-market.

§¶§ There is to be sold, a Parcel of good fresh Limons and China Oranges, as also all other Fruits in Season, at the first Shop above Con's Close, the south side of the street at the *Hand and Apple*, a little below the Cross: All at reasonable Rates, in Wholesale or Retail.

††† There is a convenient LODGING, well finish'd and furnish'd, with Coach-house, Stables, Hay-loft, and other Office-houses thereto belonging, with a pleasant Garden and Dovecot, in the South-end of Restalrig; To be sett. Any Person who inclines to take the same, may enquire at the Author of this Paper.